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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nonaka TOMOYUKI et al  
Application No.: 09/425,302  
Filed: October 25, 1999  
For: ELECTRONIC PURSE LOAN SYSTEM  
Group: 2164  
Examiner: Geoffrey Akers

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 24, 2002

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully direct, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121, that the following specified amendments be made to the above-identified application and submit the following remarks in response to the Office Action dated December 26, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims ~~10, 23 and 25~~ without prejudice or disclaimer; amend claims 19-22, 24, 26-31 and 36, and add new claims 39-45, as follows:

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19. (Amended) An electronic purse loan device according to claim 20, wherein said processor checks whether or not said IC card is registered.

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